



PROCLAMATION

For the better Collecting and Inbringing of what is deficient of the Pole-Money Imposed in Anno 1695.



WILLIAM by the Grace of GOD, King of Great-Britain, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith: To
Macers of Our Privy Council, Messengers at Arms, Our Sheriffs in that
part, conjunctly and severally, specially constitute, Greeting: Forasmuch as by the Tenth Act of the Fifth Session of
Our current Parliament, Imposing the Pole-Money therein-contained, Methods and Rules were prescribed for Uplifting
and Bringing in the same; Likeas, the Lords of Our privy Council are thereby Impowered to Order and Appoint such
further Methods and Courses as they shall judge fit, for Stating and Inbringing of the said Pole-Money. In pursuance of which Act, the
Lords of Our privy Council, have from time to time, made several Acts, and emitted several Proclamations, for the more effectual Up-
lifting and Inbringing the said Pole-Money, as the saids Acts and Proclamations in themselves more fully proport. And in regard the
foresaid Pole-Money, which was then in Collection, is now Set in Tack to John Campbell of Knockrioch, principal Tacksman, and his
Partners, for the Duty, and in the Terms therein-mentioned, whereby they have Right to the foresaid Pole-Money, and Act of Parlia-
ment Imposing the same, as also to the haill Quadruples, and other Penalties Incurred for not payment thereof. And it being just and
reasonable, that they should have the Benefit of the foresaid haill Acts and Proclamations concerning the said Pole-Money, for making
the said Tack effectual: Therefore, We with Advice of the Lords of Our privy Council, Do hereby Declase, that Our said Tacksmen
have the Benefit of the foresaid haill Acts and Proclamations, in so far as not Obeyed and Execute, Allowing the same to be put to fur-
der Execution by them, for the more effectual Ingathering of the said Pole-Money, with the Quadruples, and other Penalties Incurred,
to the effect, that all that have not as yet Obtempered, may know their Hazard, and do what is incumbent for their Exoneration. And
We with Advice foresaid, Do further Require and Command all Collectors of Shires and Paroches, who have not done their Duty in
the premisses, by making up and delivering in exact Lists, and by collecting and paying in the said Pole-Money to Our said Tacksmen,
that they be careful to do the same within Fifteen Days alter the publication hereof at the Mercat-Cross of the respective Head-Burghs of
the Shires and Stewartries within which they Live; Certifying such of the saids Collectors as shall Failzie herein, that they shall Amit and
Lose their Allowances given to them respectively by Our saids Proclamations, out of the Pole-Money uplifted and not payed in by them, betwixt
and the Day foresaid: As likeways, We with Advice foresaid, Require and Command the Commissioners of Supply, and others appointed in
the several Paroches by them, and their Clerks, to give up to Our said Tacksmen or Collectors appointed by them, the Bonds and Securities gran-
ted by the saids Collectors, for performing their duty in the Premisses; Declaring, that Our said Tacksmen shall have siklike Execution competent
thereon, as was before competent to the Lords of Our Thesaury, or others by them appointed, to oblige and compel the foresaid Collectors to
Performance, whom we hereby Require to make Compt, Reckoning, and payment of the Pole-Money uplifted by them, to Our said Tacksmen
and their Collectors, betwixt and the Day foresaid, under the Certification above-mentioned: And farder, We with Advice foresaid,
Require and Command the Commissioners of Supply within the several Shires, and all other Magistrats of this Kingdom within their
respective Jurisdictions, or any one of them, Judges Constitute by the foresaid Act of Parliament for that Effect, to give present and
speedy Justice against all Persons within their respective Bounds, that shall be Conveened and Convict before them, as Deficient of the
foresaid Pole-Money, or being undtely Classed; by Decerning them to make payment to Our said Tacksmen or their Collectors of the
foresaid Quadruples; for payment whereof, all Diligence and Execution appointed by the foresaid Act of Parliament, and former Pro-
clamations, is to be prosecute with all Rigour: It is always hereby provided, that where Books or Lists are already given in, either by
Shires or Paroches, as was Appointed by the foresaid Proclamations, it shall not be Leisum to the said Tacksmen, or their Collectors, to
Trouble any persons Lyable in Pole-Money, by Citation or otherways, except such only as they shall First give up in Roll to the said Commis-
sioners of Supply, or other Judges ordained by Act of Parliament, as either Deficient in payment, or not given up in any former List, or not
duely Listed; In which Case allenarly, and no other, the said Commissioners, or other Judges foresaid are Required to Issue out Pre-
cepts for Citation and Process, and Administer Justice as above: And farder, if the said Commissioners or other Judges, shall find the
foresaid Tacksmen, or their Collectors to be Calumnious in the said Pursutes, they are to Fine them in the Parties Expense and Damnadges:
And also to be Careful that the said Tacksmen, or their Collectors, do not Oppress the Countrey in the Execution of the Premisses in any
Sort; But that in the case of any Complaint of Oppression, they Administer Justice to the Oppressed as accords: And Lastly, We Or-
dain Letters to be Direct hereupon in Form as effeirs. Our Will is herefore, And We Charge you strictly, and Command, that Incon-
tinent these Our Letters seen, ye pass to the Mercat-Cross of Edinburgh, and remanent Mercat-Crosses of the haill Head-Burghs of the se-
veral Shires and Stewartries within this Kingdom; And there in Our Name and Authority, make Intimation hereof, that none may
pretend Ignorance; And Ordains these Presents to be Printed.

Given under Our Signet at Edinburgh the Eighteenth Day of March, And of Our Reign the Eight Year 1697.

*Per Aluum Dominorum Secreti Concilii:
GILB. ELIOT, Cls. Sii. Concilii:*

GOD save the KING.